

## House Resolution No. 3585

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Father James J. “Jim” Foster of Jennings, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction since his ordination into the priesthood on May 24, 1980, the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of which he is now celebrating; and

**Whereas**, the pastor of Corpus Christi Parish since 1993, Father Jim Foster is justifiably proud to be known as the son of Mary A. and the late James A. Foster and the brother of Mary Elizabeth and Michael; and

**Whereas**, a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish when he was ordained, Father Jim Foster subsequently served as an assistant at Saint Matthias from 1980 to 1983; in missions to La Paz and Calamarca, Bolivia, from 1983 to 1990; and at Saint Adalbert and as pastor of Saint Louise de Marillac from 1990 to 1993; and

**Whereas**, during his tenure at Corpus Christi Parish, Father Jim Foster has joyfully taken on the additional duties of administrator of Corpus Christi School, pastor of Saint Louise de Marillac from 1994 to 1999, and pastor of Saint Lucy’s Parish from 1993 to 1998; and

**Whereas**, sometimes referred to as “The Closer”, Father Jim Foster successfully negotiated the closing and merger of Saint Louise, Saint Lucy, and Saint Frances Cabrini parishes with Corpus Christi Parish and will now preside over the closing of Corpus Christi at the end of June 2005 as it consolidates with Holy Name of Jesus Parish; and

**Whereas**, a member of numerous religious and human rights organizations, Father Jim Foster is a true “Fisher of Men” who also is an avid fisher of trout and a world traveler:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Father Jim Foster and to convey to him this legislative body’s most heartfelt congratulations upon attaining the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Father James J. “Jim” Foster of Corpus Christi Parish in Jennings, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Gina Walsh  
District No. 69

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3585, adopted May 26, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker